July 24, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

The rescheduled regular monthly Council meeting of the City of St. Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Monday, July 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of City Hall, 11 LaFayette Street. Notice of the meeting was sent to Council Members on July 20, 2006, posted at City Hall, and published in the Daily Press.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sally Geyer, Dennis Nero, Steven Skok, Mark Kopp, Thomas Farley, Richard Dornisch Sean Gabler, and City Manager David Greene

Absent: Solicitor Stephen French (excused)

VISITOR

Visitor included: Warren Stewart

APPROVAL OF MINUTES July 10, 2006

Richard Dornisch made a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2006, seconded by Mark Kopp, and all were in favor except Sean Gabler, who abstained.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA TOPICS

There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Greene presented the following report:

On June 19th, attended the North Central Transportation Planning meeting in Ridgway. The purpose of the meeting was to prioritize various transportation projects in Elk County. The project prioritized for the City was to improve the traffic around the Diamond.

- Attended a meeting in Harrisburg on June 20th with the PA Historical & Museum Commission to outline plans for the Impact St. Marys Project which included the Sheetz Development.

- Steve Skok and I attended the PLCM Conference in Pittsburgh June 21-23.

 Met with Mike Geitner from Allegheny Power to review various projects ongoing in the City.

 Attended a meeting at North Central on June 27th in Ridgway to review & discuss plans for a new loan program from DCED.

On June 29th, attended a meeting at the Community Education Council to discuss plans for CEC and ITEC.

- Sally Wilson, Warren Stewart, Bob Carr, Jerry Bankovich, and I toured the Theatre Bldg. to assess its condition.

 Attended a meeting at Morgan AM&T Plant on July 5th, to hear Senator Santorum speak. July 24, 2006

- Sally Wilson and I met with Sally Moran, General Manager of Sylvania Plant, to discuss Sylvania's 100th Birthday Celebration.
- Carol Muhitch and I met with representatives from Northwest Savings Bank.
- Tina Gnan, Bob Bauer, Beckki Tichner, and I met with Bob DeLullo regarding the compost site.
- On July 11th, Steven French, Tim Brennan, and I met with representatives from DEP to discuss an "Aquifer Ordinance".

Information regarding the compost site will be sent to Council in their weekly packets.

The Manager informed Council that the Blueprint Committee received a \$5,000. grant from the Elk Co. Community Foundation. This grant money has been turned over to the Marienstadt Corp. KTH Architects was asked to submit a cost estimate to the Marienstadt Corp. for putting together a proposal for renovations to the Diamond Theatre.

A brief discussion was held regarding the drilling of water wells on contaminated property. A draft Ordinance will be prepared by Solicitor French for Council's review.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Sean Gabler made a motion to approve the Expenditures for the period June 17, 2006 thru July 21, 2006, seconded by Thomas Farley, and all were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Geyer presented the Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2006. As of the end of June, the City is at the half-way mark. Real Estate taxes collected is at 95% of the budget for 2006 and for years 2005 and 2004 taxes collected were at 94%. For earned income, the City collected 54% of the budget this year, for 2005 the collection was 50.5% and for 2004, it was 54% of the budget. Total revenue collected for the General Fund for 2006 is at 67%, 2005 was 61%, and for 2004, 65%. This year the City has expended 44.5% of the budget compared to 41.4% in 2005 and 43.7% in 2004. Revenues and Expenditures seem to follow the same from year to year.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION Land Development Application St. Marys Tool & Die A Land Development Application was submitted for St. Marys Tool & Die, Trout Run and Rosely Roads for informational purposes only. Proposed use will be for the expansion of an existing business in an Industrial Zone.

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TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION
Administrative Committee

After a discussion, Sean Gabler made a motion to dissolve the current Administrative Committee, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor.

Dennis Nero made a motion to establish an on-going Administrative Committee and that two people be assigned until the next Council election. The motion was seconded by Richard Dornisch and all were in favor, except Sean Gabler and Thomas Farley who opposed. The motion passed by majority vote.

Richard Dornisch and Steven Skok were assigned to the Administrative Committee.

St. Marys Area Chamber of Commerce re: Summer Concert A letter was received from the St. Marys Area Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to close a portion of Market Street to through traffic during the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on August 11th to hold the City's third summer concert.

Dennis Nero made a motion to close Market Street on August 11th from 5:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. for the summer concert, seconded by Mark Kopp, and all were in favor.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA TOPICS Warren Stewart

Warren Stewart questioned why the City only received \$4 million dollars from Governor Rendell instead of \$7.5 million? The Manager explained that additional funding will become available at a later date. The \$4 million dollars is earmarked for the parking garage.

The Manager noted that a ground breaking ceremony for the Senior Housing and the Senior Center is being planned for August 1st.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Dennis Nero gave special thanks to Tina Gnan and to everyone else that was involved with the preparations made for Governor Rendell's visit to St. Marys. He also thanked everyone for attending the event and noted that "it was a good day for St. Marys".

Mayor Geyer welcomed Fr. Frank back to St. Marys following his deployment in Iraq.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held at this time regarding personnel matters. No decisions were made.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Geyer made the following announcement:

- Council's next worksession will be held on Monday, August 7, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

## CITY OF SAINT MARYS RESCHEDULED REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING July 24, 2006

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Mark Kopp made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor

Shirley Dicklas
Recording Secretary